RESOLUTION NO. SA-13-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE IMPERIAL BEACH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY APPROVING, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE, A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH JONES HALL FOR BOTH BOND AND DISCLOSURE COUNSEL SERVICES RELATING TO THE POTENTIAL REFUNDING OF THE SERIES 2003A TAX ALLOCATION BONDS

WHEREAS, the Imperial Beach Redevelopment Agency ("Redevelopment Agency") was a redevelopment agency in the City of Imperial Beach ("City"), duly created pursuant to the California Community Redevelopment Law (Part 1 (commencing with Section 33000) of Division 24 of the California Health and Safety Code) ("Redevelopment Law"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council has adopted redevelopment plans for Imperial Beach's redevelopment project areas, and from time to time, the City Council has amended such redevelopment plans; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency was responsible for the administration of redevelopment activities within the City; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill No. X1 26 (2011-2012 1st Ex. Sess.) ("AB 26") was signed by the Governor of California on June 28, 2011, making certain changes to the Redevelopment Law and the California Health and Safety Code ("Health and Safety Code"), including adding Part 1.8 (commencing with Section 34161) ("Part 1.8") and Part 1.85 (commencing with Section 34170) ("Part 1.85") to Division 24 of the Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to AB 26, as modified by the California Supreme Court on December 29, 2011 by its decision in *California Redevelopment Association v. Matosantos*, all California redevelopment agencies, including the Redevelopment Agency, were dissolved on February 1, 2012, and successor agencies were designated and vested with the responsibility of paying, performing and enforcing the enforceable obligations of the former redevelopment agencies and expeditiously winding down the business and fiscal affairs of the former redevelopment agencies; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City adopted Resolution No. 2012-7136 on January 5, 2012, pursuant to Part 1.85 of AB 26, electing for the City to serve as the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency upon the dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency under AB 26 ("Successor Agency"); and

WHEREAS, on February 15, 2012, the Board of Directors of the Successor Agency, adopted Resolution No. SA-12-01 naming itself the "Imperial Beach Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency," the sole name by which it will exercise its powers and fulfill its duties pursuant to Part 1.85 of AB 26, and establishing itself as a separate legal entity with rules and regulations that will apply to the governance and operations of the Successor Agency; and

WHEREAS, as part of the FY 2012-2013 State budget package, on June 27, 2012, the Legislature passed and the Governor signed Assembly Bill No. 1484 ("AB 1484", Chapter 26, Statutes 2012). Although the primary purpose of AB 1484 was to make technical and substantive amendments to AB 26 based on issues that have arisen in the implementation of AB 26, AB 1484 imposes additional statutory provisions relating to the activities and obligations of successor agencies and to the wind down process of former redevelopment agencies, including without limitation refunding or refinancing bonds or other indebtedness; and

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code Section 34179 of AB 26 as amended by AB 1484 (collectively the "Dissolution Act") establishes a seven (7) member local entity with respect to each successor agency and such entity is titled the "oversight board." The oversight board has been established for the Successor Agency (hereinafter referred to as the "Oversight Board") and all seven (7) members have been appointed to the Oversight Board pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 34179. The duties and responsibilities of the Oversight Board are primarily set forth in Health and Safety Code Sections 34179 through 34181 of the Dissolution Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 34179.7 of the Dissolution Act, the California Department of Finance ("DOF") has issued a Finding of Completion to the Successor Agency; and

WHEREAS, on December 11, 2003, the former Redevelopment Agency and the Imperial Beach Public Financing Authority (the "Financing Authority"), a Joint Powers Authority of the City of Imperial Beach (the "City") and the former Redevelopment Agency, issued Tax Allocation Revenue Bonds, Series 2003A (the "Series 2003A TABs") secured by the former Redevelopment Agency's tax increment revenues as funding for the debt service obligations. The Series 2003A TABs were issued in order to finance redevelopment activities relating to improvements within the Original and Amended Redevelopment Project Areas ("Project Areas") including street improvements, public park capital improvements, construction of community facilities, and landscaping improvements, among others; and

WHEREAS, debt service on the Series 2003A TABs has been and is repaid solely with tax increment revenues generated within the Project Areas. As of June 5, 2013, the Series 2003A TABs are outstanding in the amount of \$17,965,000, with annual principal maturities ranging from June 1, 2014 through June 1, 2033. These principal bond maturities can be prepaid on December 1, 2013, and on any subsequent date thereafter, without a prepayment penalty. The Series 2003A TABs have interest rates ranging from 5.00% to 6.00%; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Dissolution Act, the Successor Agency may cause the refinancing or refunding of the Series 2003A TABs for debt service savings by issuing, or causing the issuance, of Property Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds (the "Refunding Bonds") in accordance with the Dissolution Act including, without limitation, Sections 34177.5 and 34180(b); and

WHEREAS, based on interest rates in the current market, refunding the Series 2003A TABs is projected to achieve annual debt service savings for the Successor Agency of an average of \$295,000 from fiscal year 2013-14 through 2032-33, and for a total of \$5.93 million. Accounting for the time value of money, the discounted present value savings are \$4.03 million, which is equivalent to 22.44% of the \$17,965,000 of the Series 2003A TABs to be refunded; and

WHEREAS, the Successor Agency desires to take advantage of the current low interest rate environment in order to minimize its total interest costs on outstanding debt by refinancing/refunding the Series 2003A TABs at a comparatively lower interest rate than the current bond issue's average bond coupon rate and as low of a cost of issuance as possible; and

WHEREAS, in order to effectuate the refunding of the Series 2003A TABs, the Successor Agency desires to retain the services of Jones Hall for both bond and disclosure counsel services, including without limitation the following: to provide a legal opinion confirming that the issuer is authorized to issue proposed securities, the issuer has met all legal requirements necessary for issuance, and interest on the proposed securities will be exempt from federal income taxation and, where applicable, from state and local taxation; to prepare, or

review and advise the issuer regarding, authorizing resolutions, ordinances, trust indentures, official statements, validation proceedings and litigation; and to prepare the Official Statement, the Bond Purchase Contract, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, and any Blue Sky Memoranda in connection with the Refunding Bonds; and

WHEREAS, Jones Hall has represented that it possesses the necessary qualifications to provide the services required by the Successor Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Successor Agency staff has authorized the preparation of a Professional Services Agreement (the "Agreement") to retain the services of Jones Hall as a "Bond Counsel" and "Disclosure Counsel" to the Successor Agency and recommends the Successor Agency's approval relating to same; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Agreement, subject to the below, Jones Hall shall be compensated for work completed, not to exceed \$88,706 for basic services rendered under the Agreement and not to exceed \$2,500 for all accrued out-of-pocket expenses. Jones Hall would be compensated for additional services only upon prior written approval of the Successor Agency. According to the Agreement, payment to Jones Hall for all compensation not to exceed \$88,706 and accrued expenses not to exceed \$2,500 will be made by the Successor Agency on a contingency basis dependent on the final sale and close of the Refunding Bonds thru the Trustee/Escrow Agent from the proceeds of the Refunding Bonds within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of invoice; and

WHEREAS, all of the prerequisites with respect to the approval of this Resolution have been met.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Imperial Beach Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency, as follows:

- **Section 1.** The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are a substantive part of this Resolution.
- Section 2. The Successor Agency hereby approves the Professional Services Agreement ("Agreement") with Jones Hall in substantial form as the Agreement attached as Exhibit "A", for both bond and disclosure counsel services for a total amount not to exceed \$88,706 for all basic services rendered under the Agreement and not to exceed \$2,500 for all accrued out-of-pocket expenses, payment to Jones Hall will be made by the Successor Agency on a contingency basis dependent on the final sale and close of the Refunding Bonds thru the Trustee/Escrow Agent from the proceeds of the Refunding Bonds.
- Section 3. The Executive Director, or designee, of the Successor Agency is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Agreement in substantial form as the Agreement attached as Exhibit "A", subject to the Oversight Board's approval of the Agreement as required by the Dissolution Act or desired by the Executive Director.
- The Executive Director, or designee, of the Successor Agency is hereby authorized to make non-substantive changes and amendments to the Agreement deemed necessary and as approved by the Executive Director of the Successor Agency and its legal counsel and to take such other actions and execute such other documents as are necessary to

effectuate the intent of this Resolution on behalf of the Successor Agency.

Section 5. The Successor Agency determines that the activity approved by this Resolution is not a "project" for purposes of CEQA, as that term is defined by Guidelines Section 15378, because this Resolution is an organizational or administrative activity that will not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment, per Section 15378(b)(5) of the Guidelines.

Section 6. If any provision of this Resolution or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Resolution that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Resolution are severable. The Successor Agency declares that its board would have adopted this Resolution irrespective of the invalidity of any particular portion of this Resolution.

Section 7. This Resolution shall take effect upon the date of its adoption

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Imperial Beach Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency at its meeting held on the 5th day of June 2013, by the following vote:

AYES: BOARD MEMBERS: SPRIGGS, BILBRAY, PATTON, BRAGG, JANNEY

NOES: BOARD MEMBERS: NONE ABSENT: BOARD MEMBERS: NONE

JAMES C. JANNEY CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

JACQUELINE M. HALD, MMC

SECRÉTARY